

Interview Summary

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If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1-4, 10-13, 19-23 and 27-30.

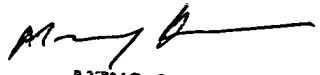
Identification of prior art discussed: N/A.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant agreed to amend the claims accordance with examiner amendment by faxing the amended claims to examiner.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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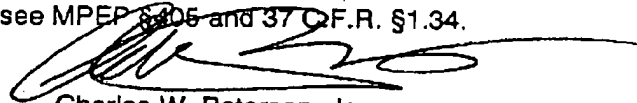
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As discussed, included herewith is an amendment combining claims 1 -4, 10 - 12, 19 - 22 and 27, 28 and 30. The claims are identical to what was provided 1/9/08 and revised in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion of 1/8/08. Please feel free to contact me, if anything more is needed.

Also, regarding my authority to act, please see MPEP §306 and 37 C.F.R. §1.34.



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Amendment

Atty Dkt No.: 2001P18375US
Serial No.: 10/042,616**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A review facility having a processor for providing a document for collaborative review by a plurality of reviewers and collecting comments from reviewers, said review facility comprising:

preparation means for preparing software source code for interactive collaborative review comprising:

selection means for selecting and retrieving said software source code, and

means for formatting said retrieved software source code and building a comment

file, wherein the means for formatting said software source code identifies individual lines of said source code within said software source code, said interactive collaborative review providing comments on ones of said individual lines of said source code;

means for making said prepared software source code available for interactive collaborative review, said prepared software source code being independently reviewable in said interactive collaborative review;

means for collecting comments on said individual lines of said source code blocks of text in said prepared software source code from said interactive collaborative review, collected comments on code lines being contained in said comment file; [[and]]

means for distributing collected said comments from said interactive collaborative review; and

means for conducting a formal review, wherein distributed said comments sufficiently provide any collaborating reviewers attending a subsequent formal review meeting with awareness of a particular condition with respect to said interactive collaboratively reviewed said software source code that said comments may be addressed in said interactive collaborative review prior to said formal review meeting, such that further action is unnecessary at the time of

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said formal review with respect to said particular condition and each corresponding said comment.

2 – 5 (canceled)

6. (previously presented) A review facility as in claim 1 wherein the means for collecting comments comprises:

means for providing said software source code to collaborating reviewers; and
reviewer selection means for selecting said software source code for review responsive to reviewer selection.

7 – 8 (canceled)

9. (previously presented) A review facility as in claim 1, wherein said means for distributing collected said comments makes collected said comments available for further interactive collaborative review, and said review facility further comprises:

means for presenting for consideration collected comments from said interactive collaborative review, said collected comments being previously distributed by said means for distributing collected comments to identified collaborating reviewers participating in a formal review.

10. (currently amended) A method of reviewing a document being prepared for distribution, said method comprising the steps of:

a) preparing source code a document for interactive review, preparing said source code comprising the steps of:

i) retrieving said source code for review, and

ii) formatting said source code and building a comment file, individual blocks of text being identified for comment in said formatted source code, individual lines of source code being identified for comments;

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b) making said prepared source code document available for said interactive review and receiving comments on said prepared source code document from said interactive review, comments provided on said lines of source code being contained in said comment file; and

c) conducting a formal review meeting of said interactively-reviewed source code document with a plurality of reviewers, whereby one or more of the previously provided said comments sufficiently provides attending reviewers awareness of a particular condition with respect to said interactively-reviewed source code document that said comments may be addressed in said interactive review prior to said formal review meeting, such that further action is unnecessary at the time of said formal review with respect to said particular condition and each corresponding comment.

11 – 13 (canceled)

14. (currently amended) A method as in claim 10 wherein each occurrence of said interactive review in the step (b) of making the prepared source code document available comprises the steps of:

- i) selecting said source code document;
- ii) reviewing comments on said selected source code document;
- iii) determining whether said selected source code document warrants additional comments;
- iv) distributing warranted additional comments on said selected source code document; and
- v) repeating steps (i-iv) until all documents for review have been selected.

15 – 16 (canceled)

17. (currently amended) A method as in claim 14 wherein source code is documents are stored in a central repository and the step (i) of selecting said source code document comprises connecting over the Internet to said central repository and accessing said source code document.

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18. (previously presented) A method as in claim 10 wherein returned said comments are available for display upon receipt.

19. (currently amended) A computer program product for presenting a software source code block document for collaborative review by a plurality of reviewers and collecting comments from reviewers, said computer program product comprising a computer usable medium having computer readable program code thereon, said computer readable program code comprising:

computer program code means for preparing a source code block document for collaborative review comprising:

computer program code selection means for selecting and retrieving said source code block, and

computer program code means for formatting retrieved source code blocks and building a comment file, individual lines of said source code being identified within said source code block;

computer program code means for collecting comments from said collaborative review, collected comments on code lines being contained in said comment file;

computer program code means for distributing collected comments to reviewers identified for attendance at a subsequent formal review meeting, reviewers providing comments on ones of said individual lines, wherein distributed said comments sufficiently provide any identified said reviewers with awareness of a particular condition with respect to said interactive collaboratively reviewed source code blocks document that said comments may be addressed in said interactive collaborative review prior to said formal review meeting, such that further action is unnecessary at the time of said formal review with respect to said particular condition and each corresponding comment; and

computer program code means for providing distributed comments for said formal review.

20 – 23 (canceled)

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24. (currently amended) A computer program product as in claim 19 wherein the computer program code means for collecting comments comprises:

computer program code means for providing source code block document to reviewers;
and

computer program code means for selecting said source code block document for review responsive to reviewer selection.

25 – 26 (canceled)

27. (currently amended) A computer-readable medium having stored thereon a plurality of instructions, the plurality of instructions including instructions which, when executed by a processor, cause the processor to:

a) prepare source code a document for interactive review and further causing the processor to:

i) selectively retrieve said source code for review, and

ii) format said source code and building a comment file, individual said lines of source code being identified for comment in said formatted source code;

b) make said prepared source code document available to a plurality of interactive reviewers for interactively commenting on said lines of source code blocks of text;

c) receive comments from ones of said plurality of interactive reviewers, received comments being contained in said comment file; and

d) present said source code document and received said comments for a formal review meeting, whereby one or more of the previously provided comments sufficiently provides attending reviewers awareness of a particular condition with respect to said source code document that said comments may be addressed in said source code document prior to said formal review meeting, such that further action is unnecessary at the time of said formal review with respect to said particular condition and each corresponding comment.

28 – 30 (canceled)

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31. (currently amended) A computer readable medium as in claim 27 wherein source code is
~~documents are~~ located in a central repository and the step i) of selectively retrieving said
document causes the processor to connect over the Internet to said central repository and access
said source code ~~document~~.

Amendment


Atty Dkt No.: 2001P18375US
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Claims 1, 6, 9, 10, 14, 17 – 19, 27 and 31 remain in the application and are amended herein as previously faxed on 1/9/08. No new matter is added. Although this Amendment is being timely filed, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required for this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2179.

As discussed, included herewith is an amendment combining claims 1 – 4, 10 – 12, 19 – 22 and 27, 28 and 30. The claims are identical to what was provided 1/9/08, revising the claims in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion of 1/8/08. Please feel free to contact me, if anything more is needed. Confirmation from David Chung, attorney of record, will be provided separately.

Should the Examiner believe anything further may be required, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below for a telephonic or personal interview to discuss any other changes.

Respectfully submitted,

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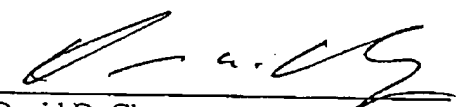
Sir:

The undersigned attorney of record in the above-identified patent application hereby authorizes Charles W. Peterson, Jr., Registration No. 34,406, to conduct interviews and bind the principal concerned and to file correspondence in the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.34.

Respectfully submitted,

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